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RESPONSE TO OFFICE
ACTION

Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action mailed March 11, 2003, for which a response is initially due on or before June 11, 2003. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

In the specification:

Please amend the paragraph beginning on line 12 of page 15 as follows:

--Target sites for various transcription factors are known. See, for example, Wingender *et al.* (1997) *Nucleic Acids Res.* **25**:265-268 and the TRANSFAC Transcription Factor database available on the internet, accessed on April 13, 2000. In general, target sites for newly-discovered transcription factors, as well as other types of exogenous molecule, can be determined by methods that are well-known to those of skill in the art such as, for example, electrophoretic mobility shift assay, exonuclease protection, DNase footprinting, chemical footprinting and/or direct nucleotide sequence determination of a binding site. See, for example, Ausubel *et al.*, *supra*, Chapter 12.--